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SONIC AND SALLY WERE STROLLIN' THROUGH THE WOODS ONE DAY...
≥sigh≤ I'M BORED, SALLY!
THINGS HAVE BEEN QUIET LATELY!
AND YOU SAY THAT LIKE IT'S A BAD THING.
I KNOW...I SHOULD BE GRATEFUL, BUT--
--WHA? A ZONE PORTAL?
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG--
--YOU ARE UNDER ARREST!
WHADDA YOU MEAN, I'M UNDER ARREST?
I HAVEN'T DONE NUTHIN'!
WHERE ARE YOU TAKING-- ≥OOOOWW!≤
SAVE IT FOR THE J.U.D.G.E. ...
BUT I'M INNOOOO--

LAW OF THE LAND

PART 1 LEGAL HASSLE!

--CENT!

JEEPERS! WHERE AM I?

WELCOME BACK TO LITIGOPOLIS, SONIC!--

--TIME FOR YOU TO FACE THE MUSIC!

BUT, I TOLD YA, I DIDN'T DO NUTHIN'!

YEAH, RIGHT...

HUH?

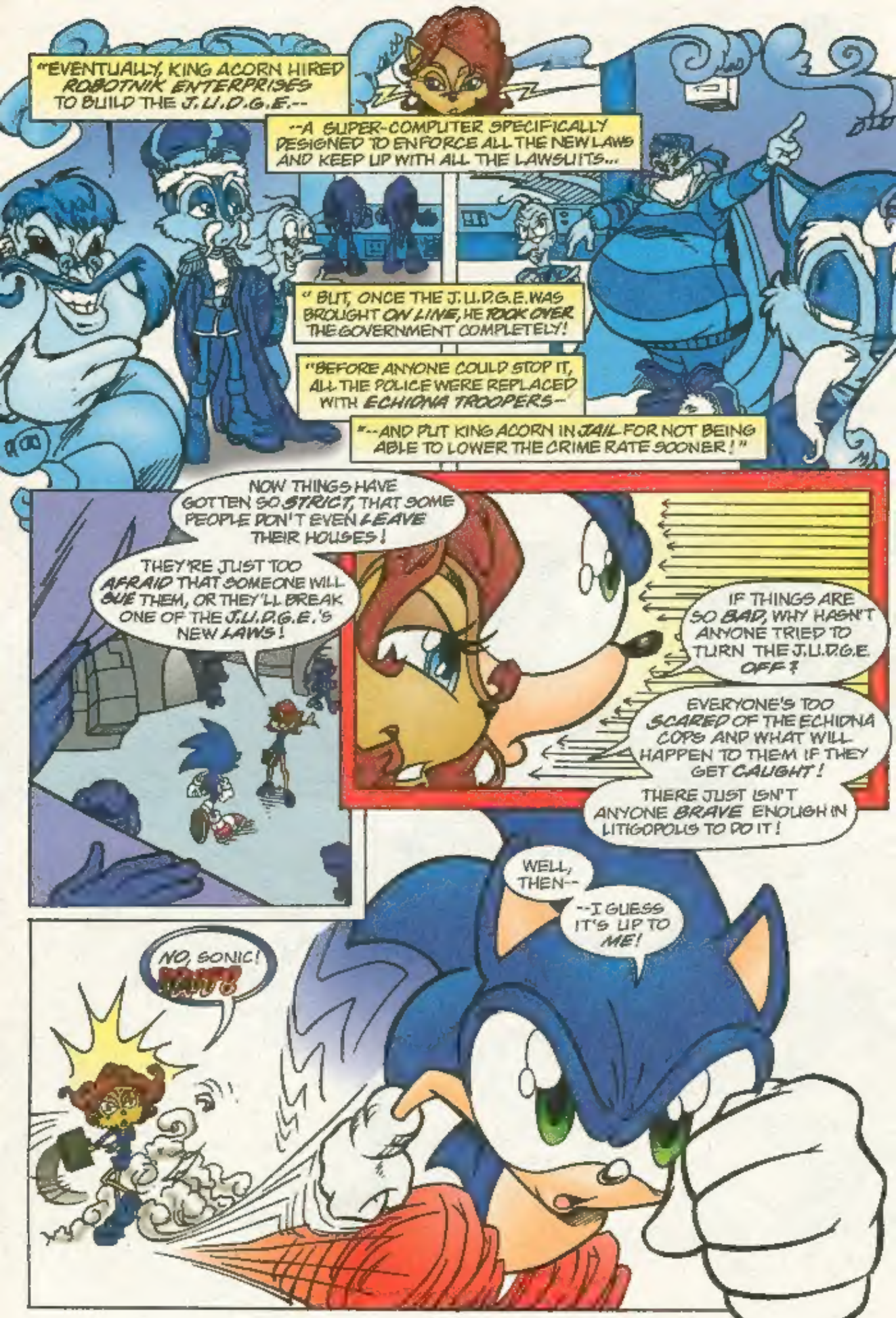
YOU'VE BEEN CHARGED WITH A CLASS DOUBLE-OMEGA ZETA PRIME OOOXL OFFENSE, MISTER!

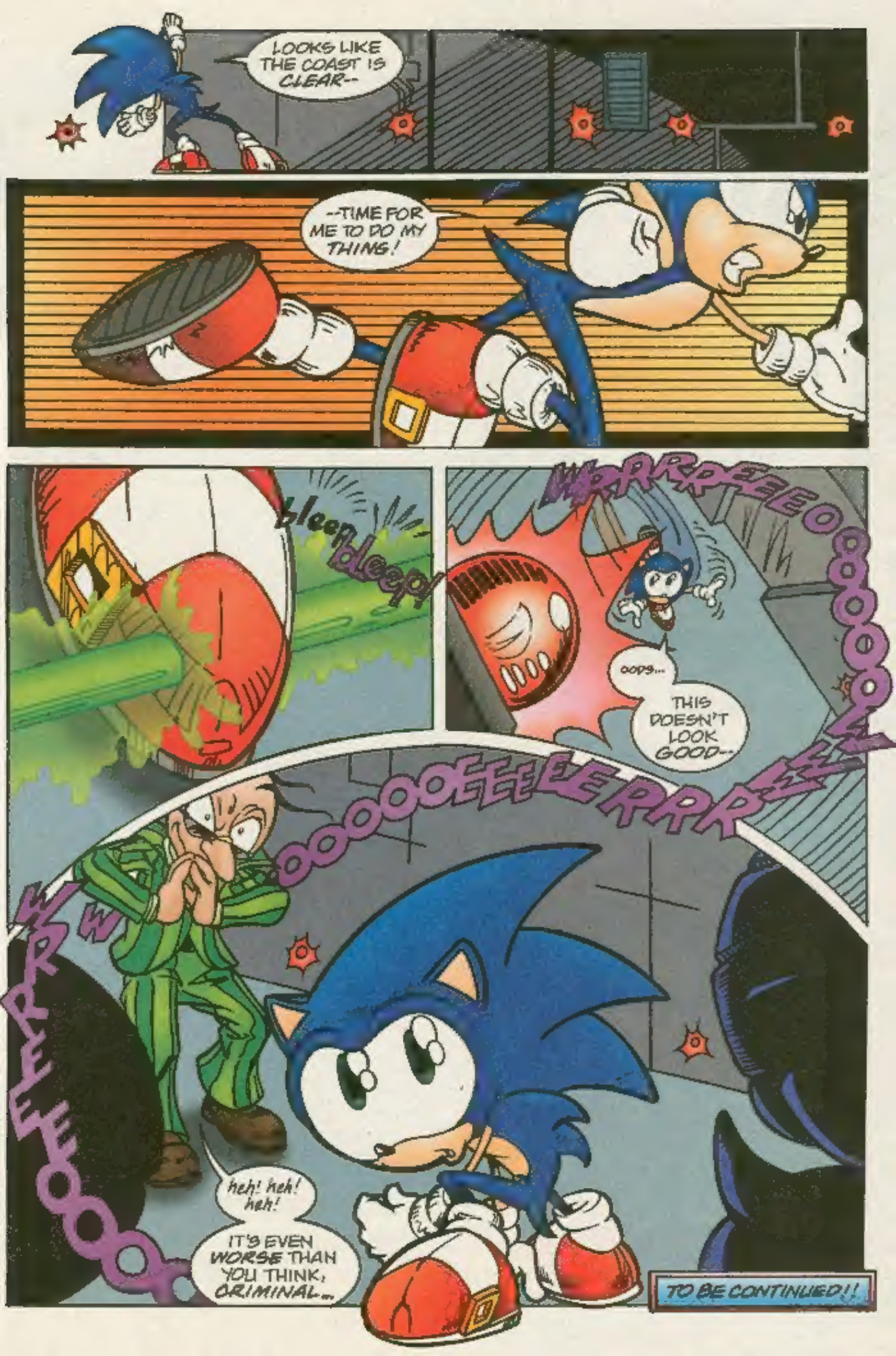
EXTREME MENTAL ANGUISH AND PERMANENT EMOTIONAL SCARRING!

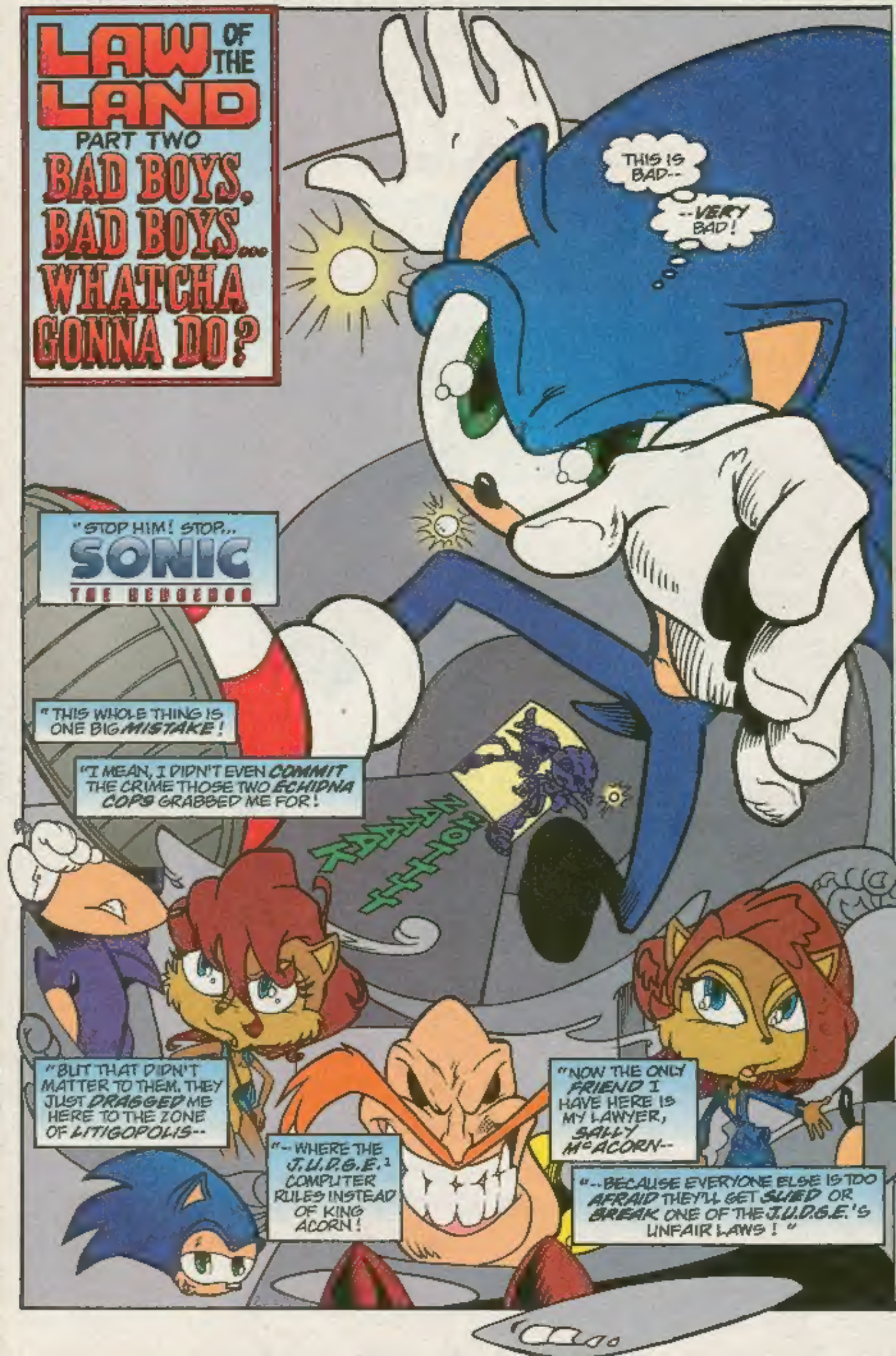
YA' GOTTA BE JOKING...

THE CASTLE? KING ACORN IS THE JUDGE?
KING ACORN? HE'S SERVING LIFE PLUS ONE THOUSAND YEARS FOR RULER MALPRACTICE.
THIS IS THE CENTRAL CHAMBERS FOR THE J.U.D.G.E.--
JUDGE
"--THE JUDGMENTAL UNRELENTING DIGITIZED GOVERNMENT ENFORCER!"
WELLLLLL... I SEE WE'VE CAUGHT YOU AT LAST!
YES, YOUR SUPREME LEGALNESS, IT'S ABOUT TIME YOUR ECHIDNA COPS FOUND THIS FUGITIVE!
SNIVELY?
THAT'S JOHNNY SNIVELY, OR MR. SNIVELY, TO YOU!
MY CASE AGAINST YOU IS SO OPEN AND SHUT, YOU WON'T HAVE A PRAYER IN COURT!
BUT I KEEP TELLIN'YA-- I'M INNOCENT!
THAT'S WHAT THEY ALL SAY!
BUT I BELIEVE HIM!
SALLY McACORN FOR THE DEFENSE, YOUR HONOR!
IS IT JUST ME, OR DOES SHE GET CUTER EACH TIME I GO ZONE HOPPING?

TEN HOURS LATER...
BOY, IT SURE TOOK A LONG TIME TO GET ME OUT ON BAIL!
ACTUALLY, IT WENT QUICKER THAN IT NORMALLY DOES...
I'LL TAKE YOUR WORD FOR IT!
THE LAWS ARE TOUGH WHERE I COME FROM, BUT THIS IS TOO MUCH!
HOW'D THINGS GET LIKE THIS, SALLY?
IT STARTED OUT INNOCENTLY ENOUGH...
"CRIME HAD ALWAYS BEEN BAD IN LITIGOPOLIS--
"--AND NO ONE REALLY RESPECTED THE LAW OR THE POLICE...
"SO, KING ACORN DECIDED THAT THE LAWS HAD TO GET TOUGHER...
STOP! HEY, YOU, STOP!
YOU TWO KNOW THE PENALTY FOR ROBBERY --FIFTY YEARS IN JAIL!
"BUT, AS THE LAWS GOT MORE STRICT FOR REAL CRIMINALS, SO DID THE LAWS FOR EVERYONE ELSE!
THAT'S RIGHT, OFFICER! HIS HOT DOG BURNED MY TONGUE! I WANNA SUE!
STAIRS ARE STEEP. THE CITY CANNOT BE HELD LIABLE FOR FALLS, SPILLS OR TUMBLES.
"SOON, ALL THE CITIZENS OF LITIGOPOLIS HAD TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY WERE PROTECTED FROM ANY KIND OF LAWSUIT!"
B-b-but...


"EVENTUALLY, KING ACORN HIRED ROBOTNIK ENTERPRISES TO BUILD THE J.U.D.G.E.--
--A SUPER-COMPUTER SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED TO ENFORCE ALL THE NEW LAWS AND KEEP UP WITH ALL THE LAWSUITS...
" BUT, ONCE THE J.U.D.G.E. WAS BROUGHT ON LINE, HE TOOK OVER THE GOVERNMENT COMPLETELY!
"BEFORE ANYONE COULD STOP IT, ALL THE POLICE WERE REPLACED WITH ECHIDNA TROOPERS--
"--AND PUT KING ACORN IN JAIL FOR NOT BEING ABLE TO LOWER THE CRIME RATE SOONER!"
NOW THINGS HAVE GOTTEN SO STRICT, THAT SOME PEOPLE DON'T EVEN LEAVE THEIR HOUSES!
THEY'RE JUST TOO AFRAID THAT SOMEONE WILL SUE THEM, OR THEY'LL BREAK ONE OF THE J.U.D.G.E.'S NEW LAWS!
IF THINGS ARE SO BAD, WHY HASN'T ANYONE TRIED TO TURN THE J.U.D.G.E. OFF?
EVERYONE'S TOO SCARED OF THE ECHIDNA COPS AND WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THEM IF THEY GET CAUGHT!
THERE JUST ISN'T ANYONE BRAVE ENOUGH IN LITIGOPOLIS TO DO IT!
WELL, THEN--
--I GUESS IT'S UP TO ME!
NO, SONIC!
WAIT!


LOOKS LIKE THE COAST IS CLEAR--
--TIME FOR ME TO DO MY THING!
bleep bleep
WRRRRREEEOOO


LAW OF THE LAND
PART TWO
BAD BOYS, BAD BOYS... WHATCHA GONNA DO?
THIS IS BAD--
--VERY BAD!
"STOP HIM! STOP... SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
"THIS WHOLE THING IS ONE BIG MISTAKE!
"I MEAN, I DIDN'T EVEN COMMIT THE CRIME THOSE TWO ECHIDNA COPS GRABBED ME FOR!
"BUT THAT DIDN'T MATTER TO THEM. THEY JUST DRAGGED ME HERE TO THE ZONE OF LITIGOPOLIS--
"-- WHERE THE J.U.D.G.E.[1] COMPUTER RULES INSTEAD OF KING ACORN!
"NOW THE ONLY FRIEND I HAVE HERE IS MY LAWYER, SALLY McACORN--
"--BECAUSE EVERYONE ELSE IS TOO AFRAID THEY'LL GET SUED OR BREAK ONE OF THE J.U.D.G.E.'S UNFAIR LAWS!"

UH-OH! THOSE COPS ARE STARTING TO GAIN ON ME!

SALLY WAS RIGHT... I SHOULD'VE REALIZED THAT THE J.U.D.G.E. WOULD HAVE A SECURITY SYSTEM BEFORE I TRIED TO TAKE IT DOWN!

HATE TO TURN TAIL AND RUN, BUT THESE GUYS HAVE ME OUTNUMBERED!

GOTTA TURN ON THE SPEED!

STOP HIM! HE'S GETTING AWAY!

ZAAK!

ZOTTT!

ZAAAAK!

I'M SORRY, MR. SNIVELY — SONIC GOT AWAY!

NO MATTER, LIEUTENANT KNUCKLES...

IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE WE'VE RECAPTURED HIM, AFTER ALL--

"--IT'S NOT LIKE HE HAS MANY PLACES TO HIDE!"

M'ACORN ATTORNEY AT LAW

WHILE I'M GLAD THE COPS DIDN'T CAPTURE YOU--

--YOU'VE ONLY MADE THE CASE AGAINST YOU EVEN WORSE!

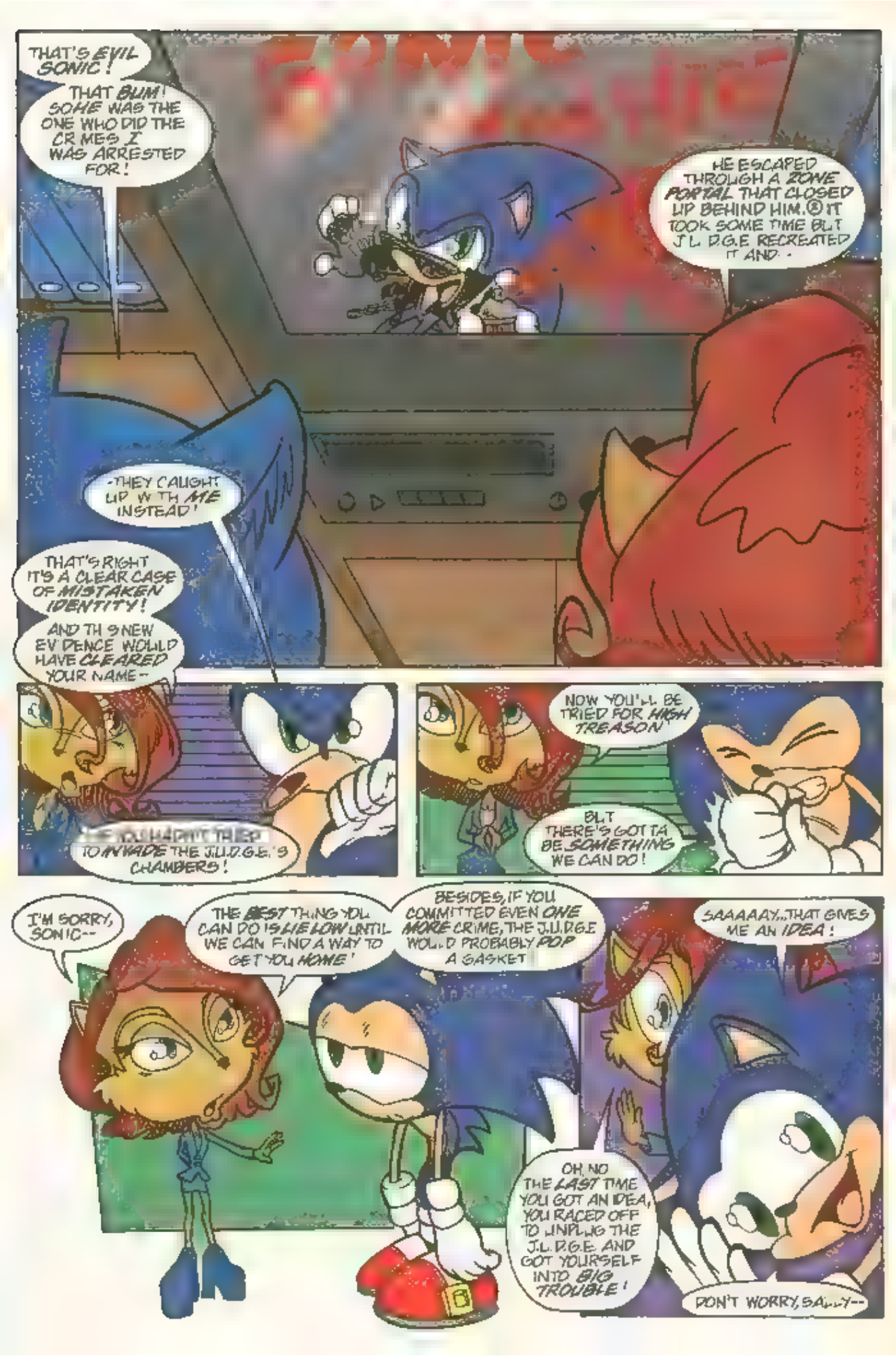
BUT I'M INNOCENT, SALLY--

I KNOW THAT!

AND THIS VIDEO TAPE IS THE PROOF!

SINCE CRIMINAL TRIALS AND LAWSUITS HAVE BECOME SUCH A PART OF DAILY LIFE HERE IN LITIGOPOLIS--

--THERE ARE COUNTLESS AMATEUR CAMERA PEOPLE OUT THERE RECORDING ANYTHING THAT MIGHT BE A CRIME IN PROGRESS!


THAT'S EVIL SONIC!
THAT BUM! SONIC WAS THE ONE WHO DID THE CRIMES I WAS ARRESTED FOR!
HE ESCAPED THROUGH A ZONE PORTAL THAT CLOSED UP BEHIND HIM. IT TOOK SOME TIME BUT J.L.D.G.E. RECREATED IT AND...
-THEY CAUGHT UP WITH ME INSTEAD!
THAT'S RIGHT IT'S A CLEAR CASE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY!
AND THIS NEW EVIDENCE WOULD HAVE CLEARED YOUR NAME--
TO INVADE THE J.L.D.G.E.'S CHAMBERS!
NOW YOU'LL BE TRIED FOR HIGH TREASON!
BUT THERE'S GOTTA BE SOMETHING WE CAN DO!
I'M SORRY, SONIC--
THE BEST THING YOU CAN DO IS LIE LOW UNTIL WE CAN FIND A WAY TO GET YOU HOME!
BESIDES, IF YOU COMMITTED EVEN ONE MORE CRIME, THE J.L.D.G.E. WOULD PROBABLY POP A GASKET!
SAAAAAY...THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA!
OH, NO THE LAST TIME YOU GOT AN IDEA, YOU RACED OFF TO UNPLUG THE J.L.D.G.E. AND GOT YOURSELF INTO BIG TROUBLE!
DON'T WORRY, SALLY--

"-- I'VE GOT THIS UNDER CONTROL!"
STOP! YOU'RE UNDER ARREST!
NO, I'M NOT! I'M JUST GETTING STARTED!

HAH! NOT ONLY CAN WE PUT SONIC IN JAIL FOR RESISTING ARREST AND HIGH TREASON--
BUT NOW WE'VE GOT HIM FOR DEFACING PUBLIC PROPERTY AS WELL!
WE HAVE HIM NOW, YOUR MOST EXCELLENT JUDGENESS!

89 ... 90 91 92

...100! THAT'S 100 COUNTS OF JAYWALKING IN FIVE MINUTES!
SO, NOW WE ADD THAT TO THE 67 COUNTS OF CUTTING IN LINE, AND THE 82 COUNTS OF--
I KNOW! I KNOW!

AAAARGH
STOP THAT!
Heh, Heh..
HEY.

NOW HE'S JUST COMMITTED 54 COUNTS OF INVADING A CITIZEN'S PERSONAL SPACE.
THAT'S OVER 2,000 MINOR OFFENSES AND MISDEMEANORS IN JUST UNDER AN HOUR
SNIVELY? I DON'T FEEL SO.

"--GOOOOOOOD!"

KRA-KA-BOOOOM!

A'IIIEEEEEE!

HA! I KNEW IF I CAUSED ENOUGH TROUBLE, I'D OVERLOAD THAT COMPUTER TYRANT!

HOLD IT RIGHT THERE, CRIMINAL!

YOU'RE UNDER--

AW, PUT A SOCK IN IT!

--BOOOW!

WOW! THANKS

WHERE'D YOU LEARN HOW TO DO THAT?

WELL, A GIRL'S GOTTA KNOW HOW TO *DEFEND* HERSELF...

HUH... WHEN I BLOW THINGS UP, I BLOW THINGS *UP*!

YOU DID THE *RIGHT THING*, SONIC!

NOW WE HAVE A *CHANCE* TO ADOPT A MORE *FAIR* LEGAL SYSTEM AND GET OUR LIVES *BACK*.

BUT, I'M INNOCENT

YEAH, YEAH... THAT'S WHAT THEY ALL SAY.

BUT, *HOW* WILL YOU GET *HOME*, SONIC?

THE *ZONE PORTAL TECHNOLOGY* WAS BUILT INTO J.U.D.G.E.'S SYSTEMS AND WAS DESTROYED ALONG WITH HIM!

I DUNNO, SALLY...

LEAVE THAT TO *ME*!

ZONIC, THE ZONE COP! ©

WELL, BEFORE YOU LEAVE, THE HERO OF THE DAY SHOULD GET A *KISS*-

OH, BOY!

NOT THIS TIME, ROMEO!

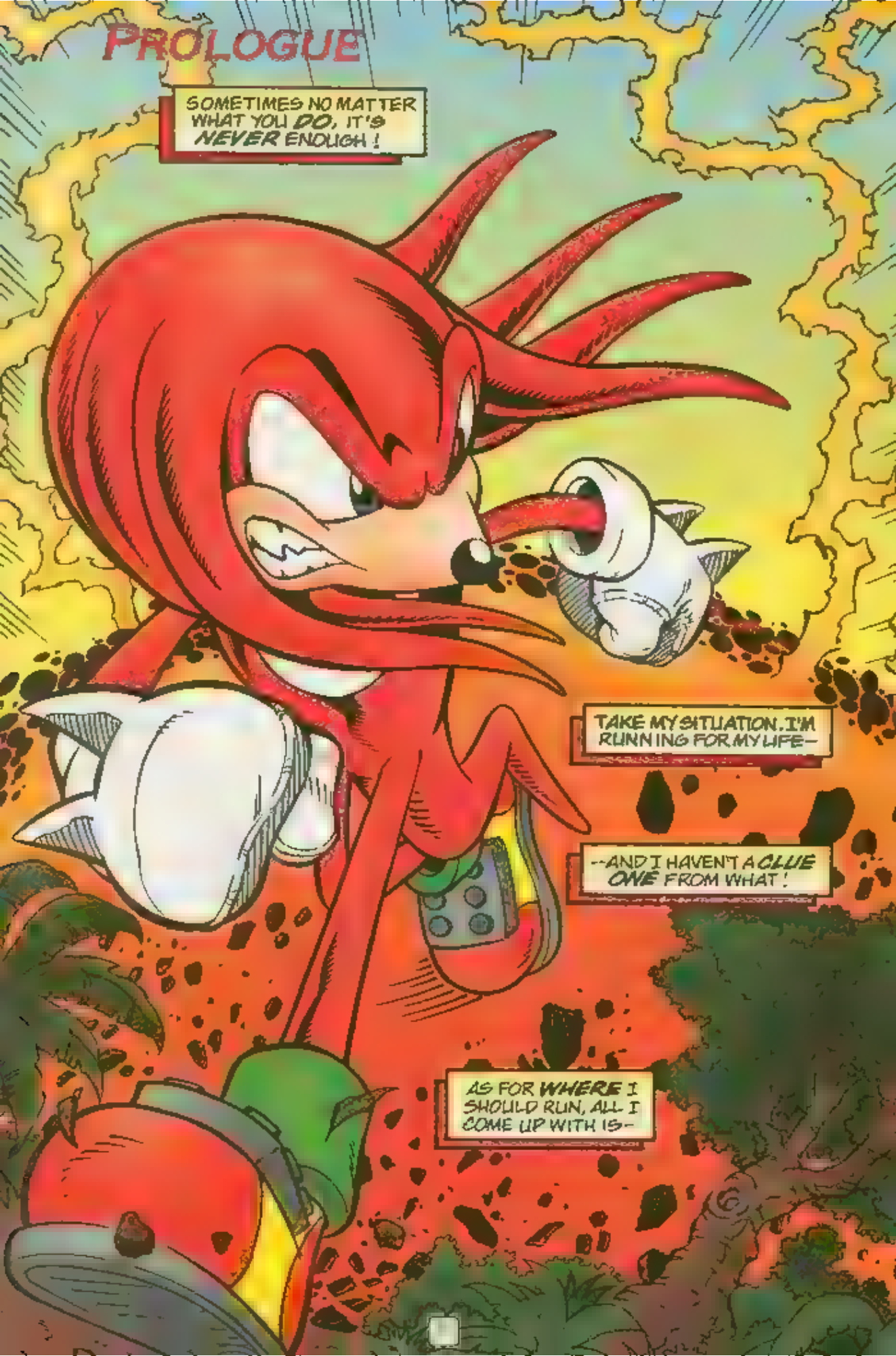
HEY! NO FAIR!

I WAS ABOUT TO FINALLY GET THE *GIRL*!

Heh, Heh...

CASE CLOSED

-END-


PROLOGUE
SOMETIMES NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO, IT'S NEVER ENOUGH!
TAKE MY SITUATION. I'M RUNNING FOR MY LIFE—
--AND I HAVEN'T A CLUE ONE FROM WHAT!
AS FOR WHERE I SHOULD RUN, ALL I COME UP WITH IS—

IS ANYWHERE BUT HERE!
I'M RUNNING OUT OF FLOORSPACE--FAST!
IT FIGURES! WE'RE OVER AN OCEAN!
HECKUVA CHOICE--GET ZAPPED OR DROWN!
GUESS I HAVE TO TAKE MY CHANCES!
WHUNK!

SPLAAASH!!!
COMMAND
CENTER

I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING
HOW DID YOURS TRULY END UP IN THE SOUP LIKE THIS?
HONEST ANSWER: I'M NOT SURE.
MAYBE IT BEGAN AT THE WEDDING OF MY MOM TO HER FIANCE, WYNMACHER.
I NOW PRONOUNCE YOU ECHIDNA AND SPOUSE!
YOU MAY NOW KISS THE BRIDE, WYNMACHER!
KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA™
IN
BEST of times WORST OF TIMES
CHAPTER 1
DAD AND I WEREN'T WILD OVER MOM REMARRYING, BUT WYN WASN'T A BAD GUY—
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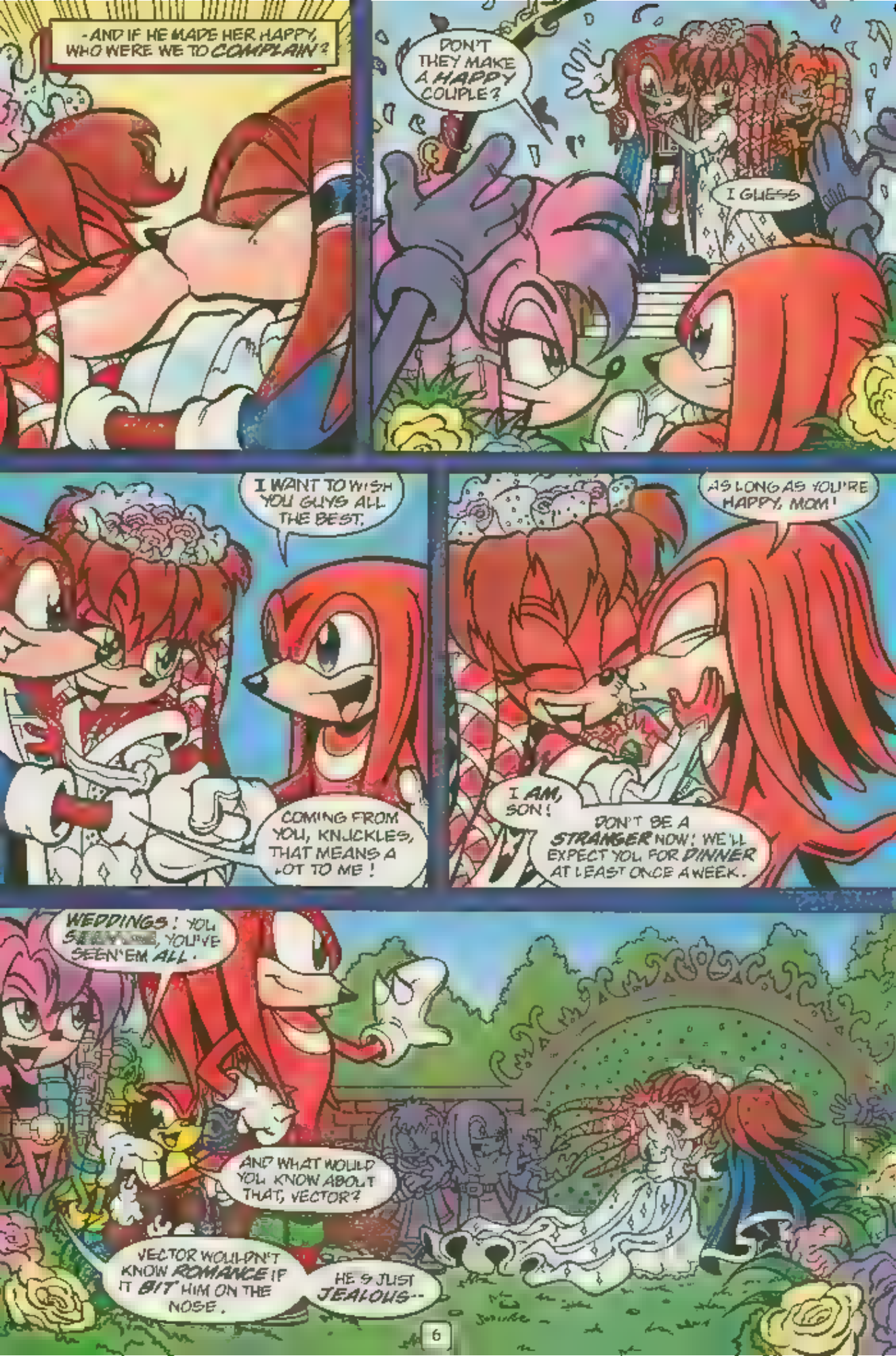
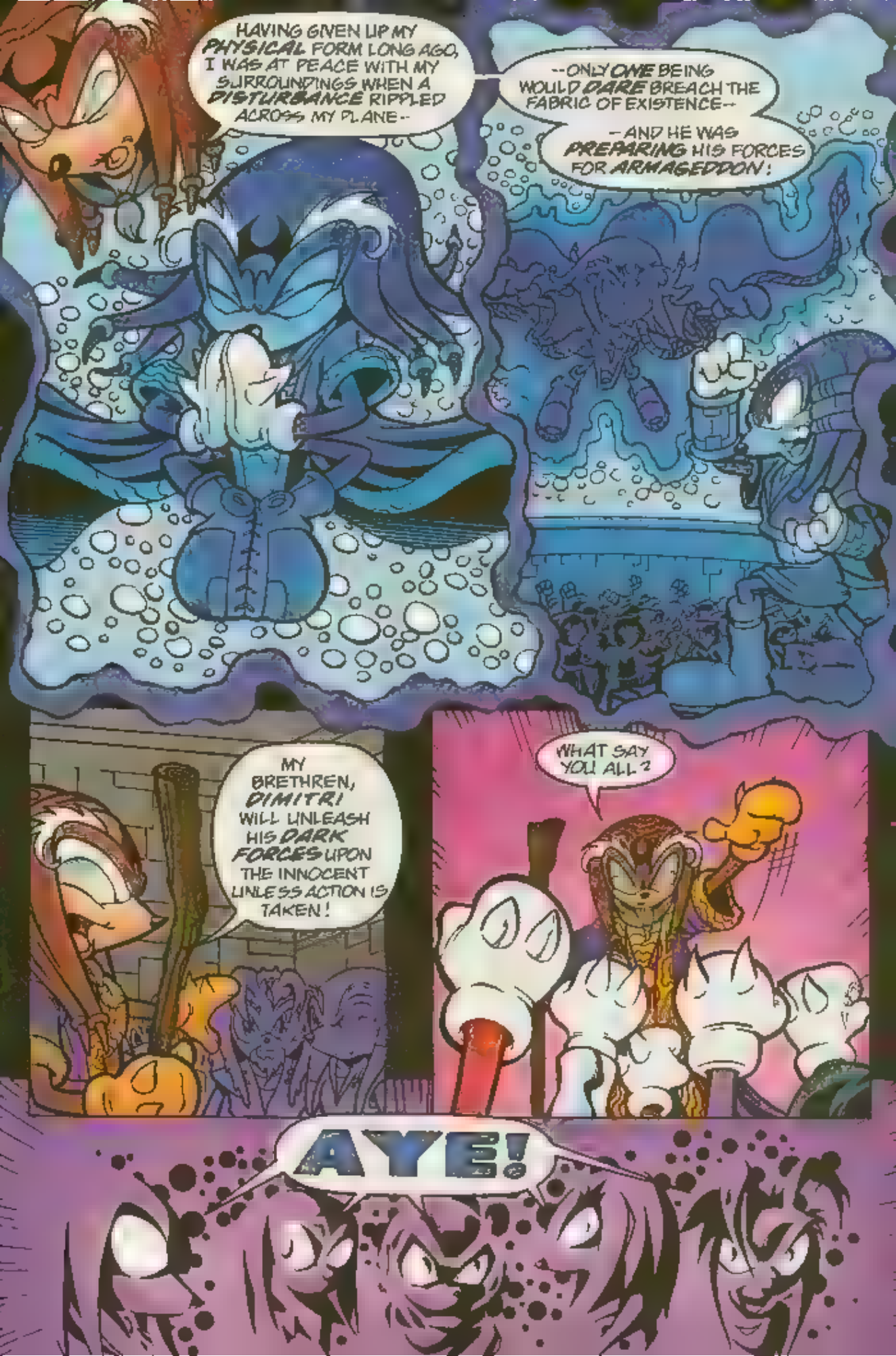
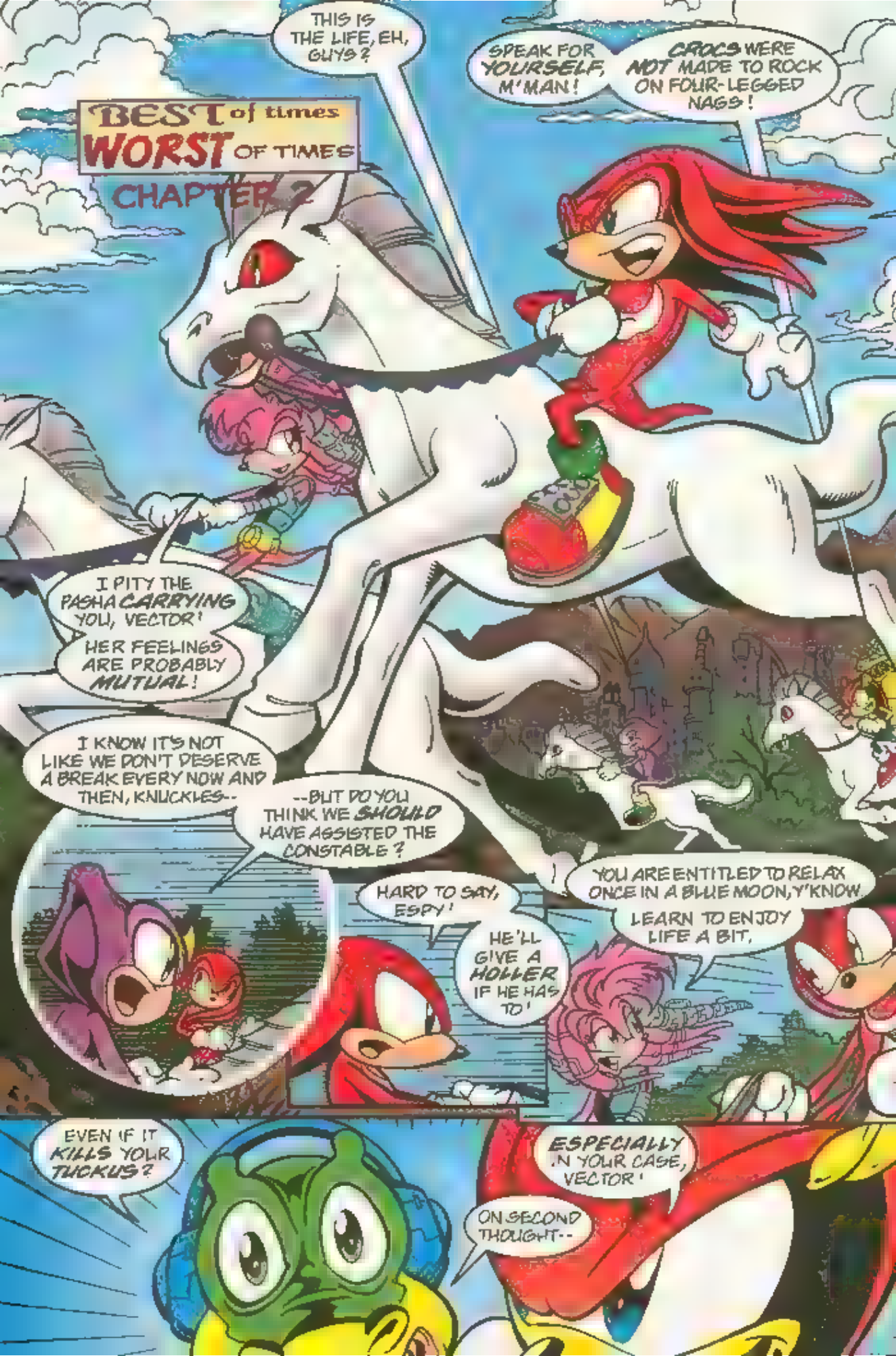

-AND IF HE MADE HER HAPPY, WHO WERE WE TO COMPLAIN?
DON'T THEY MAKE A HAPPY COUPLE?
I GUESS
I WANT TO WISH YOU GUYS ALL THE BEST.
COMING FROM YOU, KNUCKLES, THAT MEANS A LOT TO ME!
AS LONG AS YOU'RE HAPPY, MOM!
I AM, SON!
DON'T BE A STRANGER NOW! WE'LL EXPECT YOU FOR DINNER AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK.
WEDDINGS! YOU S[illegible], YOU'VE SEEN'EM ALL.
AND WHAT WOULD YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT, VECTOR?
VECTOR WOULDN'T KNOW ROMANCE IF IT BIT HIM ON THE NOSE.
HE'S JUST JEALOUS--

'CAUSE KNUCKLES HAS ME!
I'D SAY THE EVIDENCE FAVORS JULIE-SUION THIS ONE, VECTOR!
IN YOUR DREAMS
LOOKS LIKE WEDDINGS BRING OUT THE SPIRIT IN EVERYONE!
CHECK OUT THE CONSTABLE!
CONSTABLE REMINGTON! GREAT TO SEE YOU!
I WOULDN'T MISS THIS FOR ANYTHING, GUARDIAN!
ALLOW ME TO INTRODUCE MY FRIEND, KOMI-KO!
OH, DRAT! I TOLD THEM NOT TO PAGE ME UNLESS IT WAS IMPORTANT!
BEEP BEEP BEEP
THIS IS REMINGTON! GO AHEAD!
SO, HOW DID YOU AND THE CONSTABLE MEET, KOMI-KO?
BLAST! IT DOESN'T TAKE MUCH TO MUCK UP A GOOD PARTY!
I'M SORRY, BUT I HAVE TO GO!
DO YOU NEED ANY HELP?

"I'LL SIGNAL IF I DO!"
GRANDFATHER MATHIAS!
IT'S BEEN SO LONG SINCE YOU WERE LAST HERE!
I HOPE I HAVEN'T KEPT YOU WAITING!
EVEN IF YOU HAD, THE CONCEPT OF TIME IS IRRELEVANT TO ONE SUCH AS I!
UNFORTUNATELY, THE SAME CAN'T BE SAID FOR THE REST OF YOU!


HAVING GIVEN UP MY PHYSICAL FORM LONG AGO, I WAS AT PEACE WITH MY SURROUNDINGS WHEN A DISTURBANCE RIPPLED ACROSS MY PLANE--
--ONLY ONE BEING WOULD DARE BREACH THE FABRIC OF EXISTENCE--
--AND HE WAS PREPARING HIS FORCES FOR ARMAGEDDON!
MY BRETHREN, DIMITRI WILL UNLEASH HIS DARK FORCES UPON THE INNOCENT UNLESS ACTION IS TAKEN!
WHAT SAY YOU ALL?
AYE!


BEST of times
WORST OF TIMES
CHAPTER 2
THIS IS THE LIFE, EH, GUYS?
SPEAK FOR YOURSELF, M'MAN!
CROCS WERE NOT MADE TO ROCK ON FOUR-LEGGED NAGS!
I PITY THE PASHA CARRYING YOU, VECTOR!
HER FEELINGS ARE PROBABLY MUTUAL!
I KNOW IT'S NOT LIKE WE DON'T DESERVE A BREAK EVERY NOW AND THEN, KNUCKLES--
--BUT DO YOU THINK WE SHOULD HAVE ASSISTED THE CONSTABLE?
HARD TO SAY, ESPY!
HE'LL GIVE A HOLLER IF HE HAS TO!
YOU ARE ENTITLED TO RELAX ONCE IN A BLUE MOON, Y'KNOW.
LEARN TO ENJOY LIFE A BIT,
EVEN IF IT KILLS YOUR TUCKUS?
ESPECIALLY IN YOUR CASE, VECTOR!
ON SECOND THOUGHT--

"--I SHOULD'VE STAYED IN THE CITY."

I'LL CALL YOU LATER.

I HOPE SO! TAKE CARE!

<sigh>

DUTY CALLS ONCE AGAIN!

AND SINCE MISERY LOVES COMPANY--

TAP! TAP! TAP!

GO AWAY!

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO SERVICE WITH A SMILE, HARRY?

YOU'RE NOT MY IDEA OF AN EASY FARE, REMINGTON!

A GUY COULD GET HURT HANGIN' WITH YOU!

NO HEROICS, HARRY! JUST TAKE ME TO THE STATION!

ARE YOU OUT TA YOUR MIND?!!

THAT'S ONE PLACE IT AIN'T HEALTHY TO GO NEAR!

REALLY! WHO SAID?

A LITTLE BIRDY!

[illegible] GOTTEN TIRED OF WAITIN' FOR THE HIGH [illegible] TO MAKE GOOD--

--SO HE INTENDS TO RALLY THE DINGOES FOR ONE HUMONGOUS PROTEST!
WHAT AN IDIOT!
YOU'RE TELLING ME?!
THE HIGH COUNCIL IS ON THE VERGE OF ANNOUNCING A SOLID PLAN OF ACTION!
HE GOES THROUGH WITH IT AND HE'LL JEOPARDIZE EVERYTHING!
KEYWORDS, "ON THE VERGE."
YOU'RE TALKING POLITICIANS
I KNOW, HARRY, BUT I'VE BEEN PERSONALLY FOLLOWING UP ON THIS ONE!
ANYWAY, THANKS FOR THE RIDE!
WHAT DO I OWE YOU?
SKIP IT! YOU NEVER SAW ME TODAY!
TAXI
MONTHS OF NEGOTIATION DOWN THE TUBES JUST LIKE THAT!
HERE'S HOPING I CAN TALK SENSE INTO VON STRYKER!
EVERYONE ALL SET?

"THEN, LET'S MOVE OUT!"
HERE?!
WHAT FOR?
AREN'T THERE BETTER PLACES TO HANG?
SO STAY OUTSIDE! I NEED TO CHECK OUT SOMETHING!
YOU THINK WE'LL FIND DIMITRI'S BULLY BOYS IN THERE?
THEY'RE ALWAYS GETTING THE DROP ON US!
I'D LIKE TO SEE IF I CAN RETURN THE FAVOR!
I DOUBT IF ANYONE'S IN THERE NOW!
THEN AGAIN, I THOUGHT THE SAME THING UNTIL I DISCOVERED MY STEP-FATHER WHO DISAPPEARED SOON AFTERWARD
*CHECK OUT THE JULIE-SU STORY IN SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #11 FOR DETAILS - JUST IN
YEAH, WELL--
--WE WON'T LEARN A THING TWIDDLING OUR THUMBS OUT HERE!

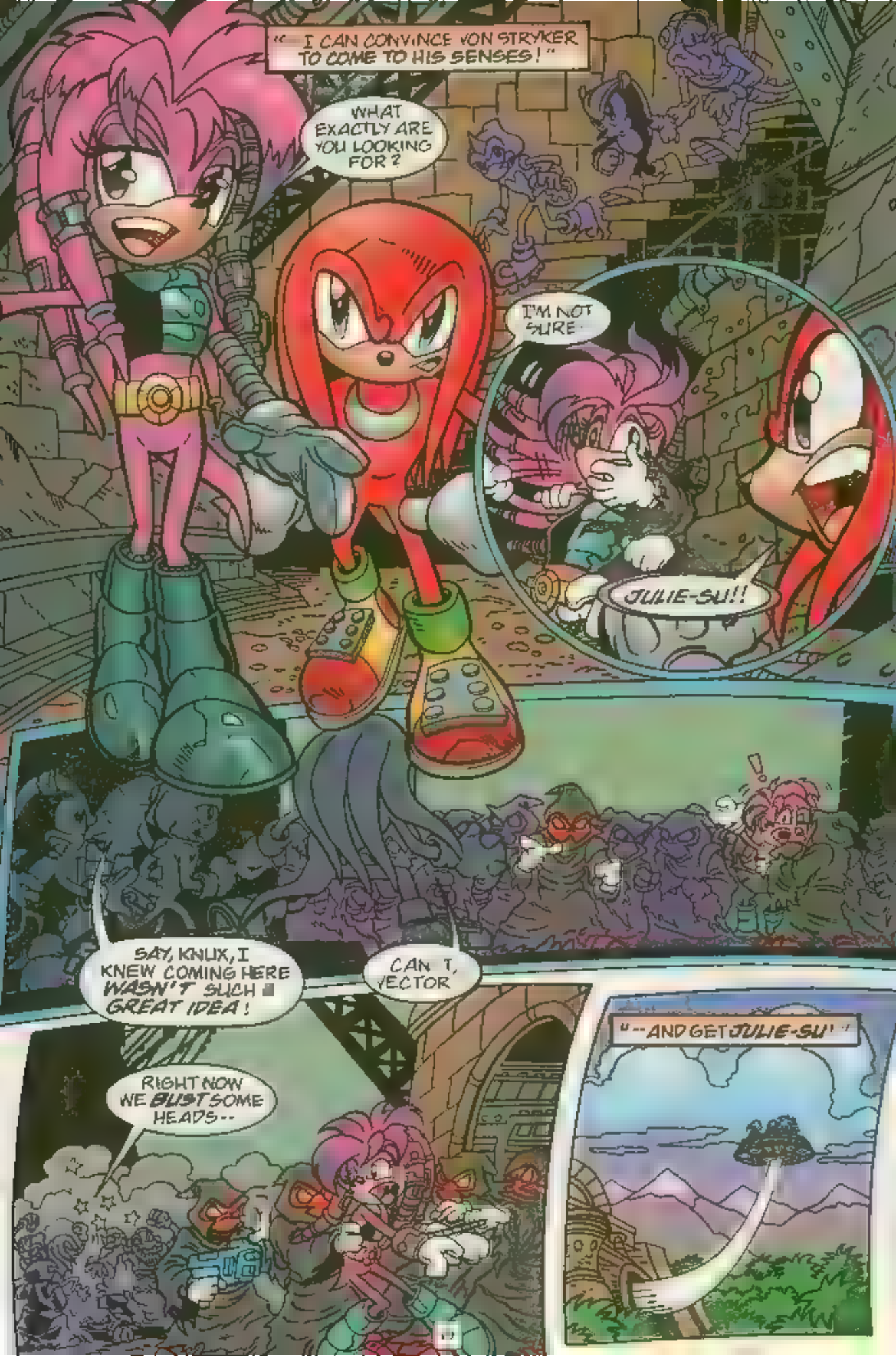
"C'MON!"
THEY'RE HERE?! AT THE GRAND CONSERVATORY?!
WHAT BETTER A HIDING PLACE THAN WHERE WE STORED OUR RENOUNCED TECHNOLOGY?
HIGHLY APPROPRIATE, IN A WARPED KIND OF WAY!
DIMITRI WAS ALWAYS ONE TO GO AGAINST AUTHORITY!
IT'S TIME HE WERE TAKEN DOWN A PEG!
HOLD IT RIGHT THERE, BUD!
TAKE ONE MORE MOVE AND IT'LL BE YOUR LAST!
BAAM!
DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHO YOU'RE DEALING WITH HERE?
THAT IDIOT SPECTRE! HE'S MAKING IT PERSONAL!
MOBIUS TO SOJOURNER - WHAT A NEWS BULLETIN THAT WAS!
HIS MOTIVES ARE INCONSEQUENTIAL
WHAT MATTERS IS WE STAY UNITED TO THE TASK AT HAND!

NOW JOIN!
THE TRUCK! IT'S STARTING TO TIP!
DITCH IT!
KHAARHOOOM
EVERYONE OUT! MAKE FOR THE EMERGENCY EXITS!
ETA IS NOW FOUR MINUTES.

--UNTIL ARRIVAL AT THE ALBION CHALET!
BEST of times
WORST OF TIMES
CHAPTER 3
BRRRRROOOOOOM
HERE YOU GO, MY GOOD MAN
OH, WYN--
--IT'S SO BEAUTIFUL HERE!
IT'S ONLY JUST THE BEGINNING, DARLING!
AFTER ALL--

" WE HAVE ALL THE TIME IN THE WORLD
SINCE THE TREACHEROUS ECHIDNA REFUSE TO TAKE US SERIOUSLY--
--WE'LL GIVE THEM MORE THAN ENOUGH REASONS BEFORE WE'RE THROUGH!
EVERYONE SET? THEN, LET'S MOVE OUT!
WHAT ABOUT REMINGTON?
HE HAD HIS CHANCE.
--BESIDES, HE'S MERELY A HIRED FLUNKY!
SAFETY'S OFF!
UPON MY COMMAND.

--ATTACK!
TAKE A JUMP, MATE
NO PROBLEM!
THEY DON'T PAY ME ENOUGH TO RISK MY NECK!
LOOK WHAT I FOUND, GENERAL!
GOOD JOB, HOGAN!
NOW HEAR THIS!!
WE'RE TIRED OF WAITING ANYMORE!!
--OR ELSE WE'LL BURN THIS TOWN TO THE GROUND!
EVERYONE TAKE YOUR POSITIONS--
--AND HOLD YOUR FIRE!
HOPEFULLY--


"... I CAN CONVINCE VON STRYKER TO COME TO HIS SENSES!"
WHAT EXACTLY ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?
I'M NOT SURE.
JULIE-SU!!
SAY, KNUX, I KNEW COMING HERE WASN'T SUCH A GREAT IDEA!
CAN T, VECTOR
RIGHT NOW WE BUST SOME HEADS--
"--AND GET JULIE-SU!"

IT IS TIME HAWKING
STEPPENWOLF...?
WHAT ABOUT THE OTHERS?
THEY WILL ENDURE
IT IS NOW TIME YOU JOIN WITH THE REST OF US!

BEST of times WORST OF TIMES

CHAPTER 4

I SHOULD HAVE ORDERED HER *TERMINATION* WHILE I STILL HAD THE *CHANCE*!

STILL, NO SENSE IN NOT HAVING A LITTLE *PLEASURE* AT HER EXPENSE!

WELCOME BACK, JULIE SU

YOU WITCH!!!

LET ME GO!

WHY, JULIE-SU, I THOUGHT YOU'D ENJOY SOME *QUALITY TIME* BONDING WITH YOUR *HALF-SISTER*!

FAT CHANCE!

OUR RELATIONSHIP IS STRICTLY AN *ACCIDENT* OF *BIOLOGY*!

ON THAT, I'LL *AGREE* WITH YOU!

WHATEVER WAS *FATHER* THINKING--

--WHEN HE MARRIED THAT HALF-WIT THAT GAVE BIRTH TO YOU!
THROW HER INSIDE WITH THE REST OF THE GARBAGE!
JULIE-SU!
WHUM
OOOF!!
AT LEAST YOU'RE SAFE AND SOUND, HONEY!
I WAS SO AFRAID THEY'D DO WORSE!
WHO SAYS WE WON'T?
YOU'D BETTER PRAY I'M NOT THE ONE WHO GETS TO DECIDE YOUR FATE!
I STILL SAY WE SHOULD HAVE LEFT HER BACK ON THE ISLAND!
JULIE-SU IS AS MUCH A PART OF MY FAMILY AS YOU ARE, MORITORI REX!
AND NOW THAT WE HAVE EVERYONE TOGETHER -
--IT'S TIME TO CARRY OUT THE NEXT PHASE OF OUR PLAN!

"ACTIVATE THE QUANTUM BEAM!"
GET OUT OF THE WAY!
WHAT KIND OF DIABOLICAL ECHIDNA TRICK IS THIS?

STAND FIRM--
HEY!!
WHAT THE...?
THEY PULLED A FAST ONE!
I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THE DARK LEGION WOULD DO WHATEVER IT TAKES--
--EVEN IF THEY HAD TO SACRIFICE THEIR OWN TO DO SO!
AS FOR ME--

--I SIMPLY OPERATED ON GUT INSTINCT!
A PITY ABOUT KNUCKLES--
--BUT WITH THE GUARDIANS POISED TO INTERFERE WITH MY SCHEME, WHAT OTHER CHOICE DID I HAVE?
AT LEAST I HAD THE COMPASSION TO SENTENCE EVERYONE INTO A ZONE AS THEY DID TO US SO LONG AGO!
NOW THE MAIN OBSTACLE TO ACHIEVING OUR GOAL HAS BEEN REMOVED--
"--WE CAN NOW RECLAIM WHAT IS RIGHTFULLY OURS!"

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THE ROAD TO ALBION

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FOOTNOTE REFERENCES:

Law of the Land-

1) J.U.D.G.E. stands for Judgmental Unrelenting Digitized Government Enforcer.

2) See SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #10.

3) Remember him? Last time we saw him was in SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #12

The Best of Times... The Worst of Times-

1) Check out the Julie-Su story in SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #11 for details.

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